



Faculty Council

October 4, 2024

Minutes

The mission of the Northeastern State University Faculty Council is to promote communication and cooperation among the faculty and between the faculty and the administration. The Council serves as the faculty's collective voice in shared governance in order to achieve excellence in the academic endeavors of the university. Toward this goal, the Council seeks to enhance the university's pursuit and dissemination of knowledge by promoting and preserving academic freedom and integrity, encouraging creative inquiry, and recognizing scholarly achievement. The Council further serves to foster the professional development and economic well-being of the faculty ~ Adopted by the Council, February 6, 2004.

Meetings: First Friday of the Month - 3:00 - 5:00 pm

<https://nsuok.zoom.us/j/91383954220>

Call to Order:

Quorum Check: 13 delegates and an alternate

Guests (Time is typically set aside for guests who wish to address the council):

- Gwynnie Hale - Tulsa Area United Way Campaign Fellow
 - Today is the kick-off day for our United Way. 100 year celebration.
<https://vimeo.com/1001222183?share=copy> Special campaign. 6 counties. YWCA and YMCA. 70 nonprofit partners. 1. Toured them about the specificity of the funding. Use funding to fill gaps in their funding and sometimes fill gaps that other funds won't cover. 2. It's community members who divide up the money and distribute it. They train volunteers every year. Transfer Touch Points – Innovative Grant - Community College students can get attached to a faculty

mentor from 4-years <https://tulsahighered.com/student-and-transfer-resources/transfer-touchpoints/> . Looking for volunteers. Until Nov 3 there are listed in the BA e-Bulletin. 12% - 14% goes to admin costs.

- All of Tahlequah is in Cherokee Cty. Tulsa Area United Way does not include Tahlequah. So Tahlequah folks can donate to the local United Way. <https://www.lakeareaunitedway.org>

Approval of Minutes: <https://offices.nsuok.edu/facultycouncil/Minutes.aspx>

Lucas moves to approve. Pam seconds. No discussion. 95% 18 in favor and 1 against. If a delegate wasn't here that day, can abstain.

Approval of Agenda: Steven moves to approve, Lucas seconds. No discussion. 17 for 1 against. 94%.

Old Business Items:

- Homecoming: Activities: <https://www.nsualumni.com/s/1517/bp20/interior.aspx?sid=1517&gid=1&pgid=2529&cid=5751&ecid=5751&crd=0&calpgid=330&calcid=3701> Door decorating competition, "Forever Green". Prizes to be gained. 21st – 26th. Committee meeting once a week. \$100 per campus towards prizes, \$300. Other funding and swag has come forward. Danny Johnson, alumni committee are funding 100 Anniversary Homecoming coins.
- Committee assignments: Committee assignments were late. Everyone should be on the committees they are on. Should have met already. Letters should have been sent out a week ago. Submit a picture of your door by the 22nd Tuesday and judged Wednesday and Thursday and winners on Friday. Do not use the website, it is not updated. So go by your most recent letters. Look for outreach by Fall Break.

New Business Items:

- Faculty Handbook revisions: We are updating the faculty handbook again. It is very important. You will receive requests to serve on committees. Please give extra special consideration to serving on them. Nathan does not have a timeline. Dr. Farrell will be in charge of the process. We will review the edits and send our markups up to Academic Affairs.

- Faculty Success: College of Education has been on it a long time. Put each set of things into the Activities. When you go to reports, when you click on Vita, download the framework first. List them Awards and Honors as a Leadership Award. The CV template software does not align with the Faculty Handbook with regard to the Boyer model. It is only there for annual reports. It is suggested that Faculty Council discuss this with Academic Affairs. Perhaps we should appoint a subcommittee. Ask to allow faculty to upload personal CVs. Nathan will have a conversation with the Provost and report back next month.
- How can we not make it burdensome for post-tenure review. Science used to do full portfolios, but changed to an updated CV. Post-tenure review is to help provide guidance for the faculty member.
- SGN - [Riverhawk Shout Out](#) – Perhaps faculty do not know about the Shout Out. Staff have a fluid language, but faculty do not. Can be sent anonymously or send your name. Beth shouts out to Jennifer Campbell and a handful of staff in the library for assistance with student posters for Hispanic American Awareness Month. Sarah Burkhead Whittle presented the Green Country Children's Book Festival – Over 600 young kids, every child received a free book. 50 educators from 13 schools in the surrounding area. Children met the authors, and other activities.

Committee and Standing Reports (as needed):

- Faculty Welfare Committee: Dr. Renée Cambiano
- Faculty Awards Committee: Dr. Nathan Green
- Budget Oversight Committee: Dr. Nathan Green
- HawkTalks:
- No University Committee Reports

Important dates

- [NSU 100th Homecoming](#): October 21-26th – Many things going on. Reach out to Pam Christol.
- 4:28 end.